

Shall Heroine Die in Last Reel Or Shall She Commit Matrimony

Question Is Up to the Washington Patrons of the Photoplay For Decision.

BOTH ENDINGS ARE FILMED

Lenore Ulrich's Newest Play
Finishes Both Ways, But
Only One Can Be Shown.

Do the motion picture patrons of Washington like their photoplays to have happy or sad endings?

This question is likely to become a serious one with the patrons of pictures of this city within the next few days. The matter has been put up to the patrons of several cities. For the reason that the star and the author of the newest of the Morisco company's productions could not agree on the question, and the play was made with both endings—the agreement being that the patrons of each city should decide which should be shown.

The play is called "The Heart of Paula," and the star is Lenore Ulrich. Attention was called in The Times a day or two ago to the fact that the play was made with two endings, but there was no indication that the patrons of the pictures in Washington would have any particular interest in the matter, except as a curiosity.

George Broadhurst, the playwright, who wrote the story upon which the photoplay is based, insisted at the time it was produced that the logical way to end it was to have the heroine die.

Actress Wanted Happy Finish. Miss Ulrich declared that she thought the play would be better if the heroine was permitted to live and wed the man of her choice. Both sides of the argument based their statements on dramatic fitness rather than the supposed popular sentiment in favor of plays with happy endings.

Miss Ulrich made her greatest success on the stage in a part that called for the death of the heroine in the last act. She realizes the effectiveness of that sort of ending for certain plays.

She declares, however, that "The Heart of Paula" is improved by the happy ending. In accordance with her wishes Mr. Broadhurst wrote a happy ending for the play. But in order that the question might be settled by the patrons of the photoplay for themselves the play has been made with both endings and whichever the patrons elect will be shown.

Coin Flipped in New York. In New York last Saturday, a jury of twenty-four newspaper men was assembled in the Morisco private projection room and the film was shown to them with both endings. They were asked to decide which should be shown at the Strand Theater in New York. The vote showed that twelve to twelve, Miss Ulrich, who was present, suggested that the matter be decided by flipping a coin. She was given a coin, and she placed her hopes of a happy ending on heads. Heads won and the play was shown at the Strand with the happy ending.

The play is to be shown here next week at Loew's Columbia Theater. The theater management is undecided as to what ending to use. They want the patrons of the house to make the choice. Patrons who wish to designate their choice can send their vote to the theater or to the photoplay editor of The Times.

Which shall it be? G. M.

TODAY'S BEST FILMS

By GARDNER MACK.

Garden, 423 Ninth street, Lillian Drew in "Vultures of Society" (V. L. S. E.-Essanay).
Strand, Ninth and D streets, Marguerite Clayton in "The Discard" (V. L. S. E.-Essanay).
Circle, 206 Pennsylvania avenue, Hazel Dwyer in "My Lady Inco" (Famous Players).
Empress, 416 Ninth street, Theda Bara in "Gold and the Woman" (Fox Film Corporation).
Home, Twelfth and C streets northwest, John Barrymore in "The Incomparable Duke" (Famous Players).
Loew's Columbia, Twelfth and F streets, Blanche Sweet in "The Sowers" (Lasky).
Olympic, 121 L street, Kitty Gordon in "As in a Looking Glass" (World Film Corporation).
Hippodrome, Ninth street and New York avenue, Myrtle Gonzalez in "Secret Love" (Lasky).
Crandall's Apollo, 624 H street northeast, Mary Boland in "The Price of Happiness".
Empire, 95 H street northeast, Anita Stewart and Earl Williams in "My Lady's Slipper" (V. L. S. E.-Vita-graph). Benefit for the Edmunds School.
Favorite, First and H streets, Lillian Walker in "Green Sticks", adapted from the play by A. E. W. Mason (V. L. S. E.-Vita-graph).
Cosmos, Pennsylvania avenue, between Ninth and Tenth streets, Antonio Moreno in "Kennedy Square", adapted from the story by F. Hopkinson Smith (V. L. S. E.-Vita-graph).
Savoy, Fourteenth street and Columbia road, "No Greater Love" (V. L. S. E.-Selig).
Washington, Eighteenth and U streets, May Robson in "A Night Out" (V. L. S. E.-Selig).

Note—These selections are made from programs prepared by the managers of the theaters concerned, and no responsibility is assumed for arbitrary changes without notice to The Times. They are based on the personality of the players and the producing company, and not personal inspection, except in special cases. G. M.

Justice Day to Return To the Bench Next Fall

Associate Justice William R. Day will not resume work on the Supreme Court bench until next fall. He will leave soon for his home in Canton, Ohio, where he hopes to recuperate.

Justice Day recently returned to Washington from Atlantic City, where he had gone for his health, but he has not improved as rapidly as his physicians had hoped. They advised an absolute cessation from all work until fall.



MARGUERITE E. CLAYTON.

Young Essanay star who appears at the Strand today in the V. L. S. E. production, "The Discard."

Southern Italy and Sicily Described by Lecturer

Southern Italy and Sicily formed the subject of the final 1916 travel lecture by Dwight L. Elmendorf, at the National Theater, yesterday afternoon. Views of quaint and charming scenes in these sunny lands were shown in colored slides and motion pictures in wide variety.

Starting at Naples, where Italian city types were shown, the lecturer escorted his audience toward the south, stopping first for views of Mt. Vesuvius and the ruins of Pompeii, with a brief excursion to the curious little island of Capri.

Crossing over into Sicily, a comprehensive view was had of modern life on the island, and a glimpse given of that of centuries ago, through pictures of the ruins of the Greek temples, which remain in a fair state of preservation.

Particularly interesting were the pictures of the Blue Grotto, and the motion picture of a flow of molten lava and steam from Mt. Etna. Colored studies of Italian and Sicilian flowers added the final Elmendorf touch to the lecture.

To Banquet Tonight.

The Columbian Debating Society of the George Washington University will hold its annual banquet tonight at the Dewey.

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Farewell Dinner Given Food Inspection Chief

Employees of the Food Inspection Service of the Bureau of Chemistry gave a farewell dinner to H. M. Loomis, chief of the division, at the Ebbitt last night.

Mr. Loomis is leaving Washington to take charge of the inspection service of the sardine industry under the National Canners' Association.

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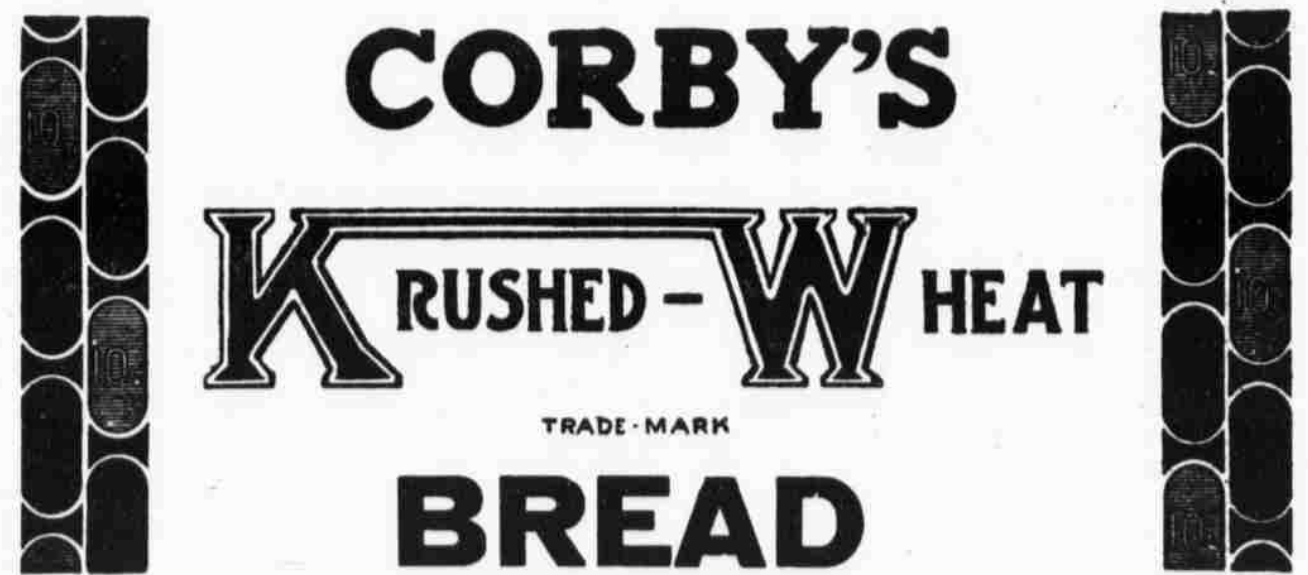


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